

Re: Ashtabula County  
Acme Scrap Iron

CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. Sam Simon  
Acme Scrap Iron  
P.O. Box 218  
Ashtabula, Ohio 44004

May 19, 1981

Dear Mr. Simon:

On May 8, 1981, open burning was observed in the Acme Scrap Iron scrap yard. As you know from past occurrences, open burning is a violation of Ohio Administrative Code Section 3745-19-03, "Open Burning in Restricted Areas."

According to your explanation, the oil from a transformer was ignited by a cutting torch. Apparently, the operator had failed to drain the device before cutting it apart.

I recommended that your "standard operating procedures" be improved to prevent these types of fires from occurring. As we agreed, you will submit a written explanation of the incident. In that explanation, please indicate what measures will be taken to prevent any further fires. Please submit the letter by May 26, 1981. Thank you for your cooperation.

Yours truly,

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